

Academic/Special Division Meeting, Oct. 7, 2005 Minutes

The annual meeting of the Academic/Special Libraries Division was held on October 7, 2005, in Pocatello. Attending were the following:

Phil Homan, ISU; Susan Mueller, UI; Adrien Taylor, BSU; Barbara Glackin, BSU; Lynn Baird, UI; Martin Raish, BYU-Idaho; Melissa Kozel, BSU; Beth Brin, BSU; Nancy Sprague, UI, Steve Poppino, CSI; Carol Silvers, BSU; Shirley Hansen, ISL; Gina Persichini, ISL; Sandra Shropshire, ISU; Lynne Bidwell, LCSC; Ann Johnston, NIC; Barbara Greever, UI; Suzy Ricks, EITC; Ann Joslin, ISL; Cathy Gray, ULC/ISU; Memo Cordova, BSU; Jane Strong, BSU; Elaine Watson, BSU; Leslie Twitchell, BYU Idaho; Debora Scholes, BYU Idaho; Janice McCrackin, State Representative, district 32. Nancy Young, UI (recorder).

Agenda Item #1: Changes to Bylaws

Discussion focused on the need for a secretary for the division and for clarification of the terms of office. A study of other division bylaws will be done and suggested changes will be sent by the division chair (Nancy Young) via the email list and votes take via email as well.

It was suggested that an office of program liaison or an ad hoc or standing committee be added for program development for regional and annual conferences.

Agenda Item #2: Sharing News

Many personnel changes had taken place statewide; retirements and new hires were announced. New collections (videos and legal materials) were described by representatives of BSU and ISU libraries; the UI librarians reported on a rapidly growing collection of DVDs. BSU and ISU both reported on a western Idaho presence being established. The state library has issued a call (RFI) for info re. a courier service; deadline is October 14, 2005.

Agenda Item #3: Suggestions for Programs for conferences

A discussion of topics that would be welcome as programs at conferences included the following:

More cataloging (example: outsourcing)

Joe Janes—on future of academic libraries or other topics

Google Scholar/Google vs. libraries (including Yahoo's entry into this area)

Info commons – panel

Wireless

Marketing of Academic libraries

OCLC's new Wiki-D – possibly a preconference